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Greenbelt Threatens to Secede From Prince Georges County

(Editor's Note: The well-known critic Bernard T. Harlow cornered Greenbelt's Mayor Richard Castaldi in the halls of the Municipal Building. The News Review is privileged to print Mr. Harlow's report of that conversation.)

"Is it true, Mr. Mayor, that Greenbelt intends to secede from Prince George's County?" I asked.

"Well, it's on our agenda at the next city council meeting."

"How serious is this move?"

"It's very serious. As you know, Greenbelt is very unhappy about being gerrymandered out of having a strong political voice in the county."

"Isn't this because Greenbelt can't come up with a consensus candidate?" I asked innocently.

"Well, Greenbelt has been known to divide its support among a number of candidates for office, thereby emerging the loser in county and state races."

"To what do you attribute this lack of cohesiveness?"

"Well, we've had reports recently that some people from Bowie have infiltrated our water supply with a slow-release chemical that causes anger and distrust among the political aspirants. Our public works department is presently

checking this out."

"Mr. Mayor, if you secede from the county, how will you support the services you need to provide for the citizens?"

"Oh, we have that all figured out," Castaldi confidently replied. "As you know, the tax revenues from the new developments at Greenway and the Golden Triangle will soon be pouring in. Also, we intend to install video games in all public places as well as establishing arcades — sort of mini golden domes — throughout the city. These games are intensely popular, and with the increased amusement tax just passed, we should be in good financial shape. We're also considering offering a PacMan set to every resident of the city. This would be a way to combat the crime problem by keeping everyone at home and off the streets and at the same time lower our police budget."

"I must say, Mayor Castaldi, that is a very creative idea."

"We're rather proud of our city and we feel we're entitled to representation from our own residents."

"If you have elections within the city, won't that bring out a lot of candidates who will oppose each other and cause further hostilities?"

"Well, Mr. Harlow, that may happen at first, but Greenbelters

are well-known for being able to bury the hatchet after a hard-fought campaign."

"This is a rather isolationist policy, isn't it?"

"Yes, I suppose so. But, you have to remember that we've been driven to this position by the callous actions of our elected officials. From now on our slogan will be 'Greenbelters for Greenbelt!'."

"How do you intend to keep outsider candidates from entering your political races?"

"If you remember your history, Mr. Harlow, when Greenbelt was first built by the federal government in the late 30's, there were sentries at the entrances to the city checking the credentials of everyone who entered and left. We're thinking of reinstituting this policy. We won't let just anyone in. We have computer printouts on all political figures, particularly those from Bowie, and we'll be checking their voting records, statements they've made in public and private — things like that, before we let them in. If they don't measure up we'll simply turn them back at the gate."

"Well, Mayor Castaldi, I wish you luck in your secession efforts."

"Thank you, Mr. Harlow, we'll need it."

Bethune Parents Unite To Keep School Open

In a hastily called meeting on Wednesday, the Prince George's County Board of Education heard approximately 50 parents of Mary Bethune Junior high students protest the closing of the school.

"Neighborhood schools are a thing of the past," one parent declared. "We have developed a strong relationship with the school which mere close proximity cannot erase."

Other parents recounted tales of their joy at the early school day opening, noting that children developed self-reliance in getting themselves up in time to meet the 7 a.m. bus.

"The long bus ride on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway itself is as important as the academic curriculum," another parent commented. "It helps develop social skills."

Others pointed out that the neighborhood the school is located in is slated for urban removal. Its proximity to the District line and the Metro Deanwood station make it ideal for quality office buildings and high tech industry. The Silicon Valley of Prince Georges County could be located there. "What an opportunity that would be for Bethune kids," noted one parent.

The Board stated that it was unaware of development plans for that area of the county and promised to report back to the parents within two weeks after conferring with the staff

RANSOM NOTE

Police are investigating a note received Tuesday by the News Review. The note demands ransom for return of the newspaper's briefcase and copy lost last week on the way to the printer. Staff members declared the note authentic, because it was made up of words cut from the missing material and pasted on a sheet of paper. As one reporter put it, "I know my own misspellings when I see them!"

Triple Pines S & L

The new name of Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association after its merger with Community S&L of Gaithersburg is to be Triple Pines Savings and Loan, it was announced Monday. The directors who made the announcement said that the new name will demonstrate the larger size and broader scope of the new organization. They disclosed that the change was only approved after a long debate. At first it seemed that the name would be "Five Pines," but in view of current financial cutbacks and the general slowness of the national economy it was decided that "Triple Pines" would be more realistic. It was also revealed that the association's present round emblem will be widened to an ellipse to accommodate the extra foliage.



AGENDA

Irregular Meeting of
City Council
Thursday, April 1, 1982
8 p.m.

- I. Organization
 1. Role Call
 2. Mediation
 3. Minutes of April 1, 1976
- II. Communications
 4. Petition from Parents to Keep Bethune Jr. High Open
 5. Committee Reports — APB, Sidewalks
- III. Old Business
 6. Overpass Construction Cancelled
 7. Relocation of Metro E-line
 8. Historic Trust Opposes Vinyl Siding
- IV. New Business
 9. Greenbelt to Annex Bowie
 10. Greenbelt to Secede from Prince Georges County
 11. Thomas X. White Lake Park Gazebo, Proposal to Franchise

Note: This is an elementary agenda and is not to be taken seriously.



This overnight change on Greenbelt's Lake Park peninsula startled joggers early Monday morning. According to equally startled city officials, a Beltway Plaza spokesperson refused to comment beyond saying that "What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander."

A hastily-convened city council met in special session Monday night, and proclaimed city ownership of the structure based on an obscure legal formulation having to do with possession being ten percent of the law. The council then unanimously agreed (with Councilman White modestly abstaining) to call the new acquisition "The Thomas X. White Lake Park Gazebo."

—Photo by Bill Cornett

New Alignment for E-line

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority last week announced plans to relocate the northern leg of the Metrorail E-line after a hard-fought compromise was reached between the National Park Service, College Park, Greenbelt and WMATA. The new alignment will use the Baltimore-Washington Parkway right-of-way — above ground where there is room in the median strip and below ground elsewhere.

The Greenbelt station will be built on the Parkway median strip with underground entrance tunnels. The station will begin at a point between the 11 court of Southway and the access ramps from the Parkway to Greenbelt Road on the opposite side and extend to the location of the planned pedestrian overpass. When complete there will be two underground entrances at the south end — one leading west to Southway, the other east to Greenway Center — and one at the north end leading to Gardenway and the Center Mall.

A result of the new station is

the abrupt cancellation of plans for the pedestrian overpass which had been scheduled for immediate construction. Instead, an underground walkway built beside the underground part of the station, but not providing access to the station, is expected to serve the same purpose.

Because of Greenbriar Phase I's opposition to any public side-walks through its private property, no direct access to Metro is planned for that area. Persons wishing to walk to the station from Greenbriar will first have to walk under the Parkway to the Metro access at Gardenway.

Members Praise GHI

Commendations for management and testimonials from members praising rehab work occupied the Greenbelt Homes Inc. Board of Directors at its regular meeting on March 25. The visitors and members section of the agenda was unusually crowded with members waiting their turn to cite high quality workmanship and satisfaction with rehab procedures. GHIDC communication efforts came in for a large share of compliments when members congratulated management on the effective system of notification before work begins in each home.

"As in Phase I, rehab seems to be an almost painless process," one member commented. "We have had no mess to clean up, no inconvenience, and certainly no disruption of the normal conditions in our court." Board and management had equally high marks for each other with comments ranging from management's "We could never have come this far without an energetic, progressive Board" to the Board's response, "Never have we seen a management team so devoted to getting the best job done." At this point, members in the room broke into spontaneous applause, followed by a standing ovation.

There were no members requesting exemption from various GHI rules and regulations, and no one requesting approval for an existing addition or structural

We're Moving!

The News Review will move its quarters this week from the basement of 15 Parkway to the 16th floor of the Maryland Trade Center.

change. Several members volunteered that a raise in monthly charges seemed appropriate to support the high level of services provided by GHI. Management denied the need for an increase, and further stated that current projections indicated that there would be no need to raise charges for at least the next five to ten years.

The meeting adjourned early without executive session, since there were no legal matters to address.

April Fool !!!

It can sometimes be said that all the news that fits, we print. We had planned just one page of April Fool stories, but found we could n't agree on which stories not to print. So, read on, and enjoy — then read our regular paper.

Space Shuttle to Land at National; Greenbelt Chosen as Tracking Center

At a NASA news conference following the landing of the Space Shuttle Columbia yesterday, it was revealed that the shuttle's successful shift to a new landing site at White Sands has opened the way to an even more ambitious one: a landing at National Airport, guided by a new operations center in Greenbelt.

The original plan did call for a landing at Andrews Air Force Base, and that was one reason Greenbelt was chosen — the other being, of course, Goddard Space Flight Center and its unique TRS-80 computer facility. The meaning of the letters OAO atop the large office building has now finally been revealed: they stand for Orbital Approach Office, housed in the boxlike control room beneath the flagpole.

Shift to National

The main reason for choosing Andrews was that NASA has planned to invite the President, members of congress, senior offi-

ials and the diplomatic corps to witness the landing from alongside the runways. Greenbelt was the logical site for directing the final approach, since the landing pattern of Andrews begins approximately above Greenbelt Lake.

However, when the matter became known to Sen. Elvis Phogbound, powerful member of the Aeronautics and Space Committee, things took a different tack. Sen. Phogbound is very concerned with what he has called malicious and slanderous reports that National Airport was unsafe because its runways were too short. "Horsefeathers!" he is reliably reported to have said. "Whatever can land safely at Andrews can also land safely at National!" He then added that National has always been his favorite airport for commuting back home over the weekends.

As a result of Phogbound's pressure, NASA has now officially announced that National has received the nod for the next mission. An environmental impact statement is due to be filed soon, since the airport adjoins a bird sanctuary, but Secretary Watts is

not expected to raise objections. The birds have adapted quite well to jet noise, and authorities feel that since the shuttle actually lands with all its engines shut off, its impact will be less than that of an average jet.

Protests from Maryland

The two Maryland senators are reported to object to the shift, stating in a joint communique "Anything that can land at National can equally well land at BWI airport." Furthermore, Mayor Shaefer of Baltimore is personally ready to wheel out the landing stairs to the shuttle, if indeed it lands at BWI. Realists, however, see the chances for such a choice as dim.

From the point of view of Greenbelt, the landing at National means that the shuttle will still pass over the OAO on its way to land. The launch is planned for June 27 with landing on the evening of July 4, and it is expected that the view from the lawn of the Greenbelt Lake Park will be good, weather permitting. The fireworks will begin immediately after the sonic boom.

Pet Training Center at North End School

Greenbelt residents near North End Elementary School may soon see a new kind of student reporting for class. Closed last year as part of the county-wide effort to reduce costs in light of declining enrollment, North End has been approved as a pet obedience school.

While the student population in Greenbelt may be on the downswing, the pet birthrate is soaring,

stated the board of education.

A pet school was only one of many suggestions received from the Greenbelt community. Public opinion was polled during last year's city council elections and many alternatives were explored — senior citizens center, recreation facility, community pool, arts and crafts workshop. The pet school proposal won when it was pointed out that there were no such facilities in or near Greenbelt, that in lieu of children many couples now preferred to raise

pets, and that the community had been under fire to resolve the behavior problems among some pets.

The board of education will continue to supervise the pet school, a curriculum is being developed, and the facilities are being modified to accommodate the pet students. The school will open in September and there will be classes for cats and dogs, parakeets and larger birds, and hamsters and gerbils. Programs for fish, snakes and ferrets will be developed later if the need arises.

Windsor Green Asks Higher Speed Limit

The State Highway Administration (SHA), under pressure from Windsor Green homeowners and the city council to improve traffic safety at the Greenbelt Road/Mandan Road intersection, has lowered the speed limit on Greenbelt Road. Windsor Green residents have declared themselves less than fully satisfied.

The residents are now demanding that SHA remove the present Mandan Road stop signs and install them instead on Greenbelt Road at the Mandan intersection. Vehicles traveling on Greenbelt Road would thus be forced to come to a full halt before crossing the intersection, but vehicles on Mandan Road would no longer have to stop.

The residents also want SHA to raise the speed limit on Mandan Road to 50 m.p.h.

City Councilman Edward Putens, who lives in Windsor Green, has said he will support this further effort. He told the *News Review* that it is essential for community safety to let residents leave the development without hindrance.

NEW PLANS BY SHA FOR ROUTES 193/201

The Maryland State Highway Administration announced plans to cancel the reconstruction and regrading of Kenilworth Avenue - Greenbelt Road intersection. Citing a decrease in traffic and a need to save money, the left turn signals will be eliminated, and the cycle lengthened.

Office Complex For Parcels 1 and 2

At a sparsely attended meeting of the Greenbelt City Council last week, the council agreed to consider a proposal by the owners of Parcels 1 and 2 to allow the building of three high-rise office buildings on this large tract between Greenbelt Homes and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. There was little discussion of the proposal. The owners of the two parcels had requested a change to the townhouse (R-T) zone. That request had met with stiff opposition.

The attorney for the owners now made a presentation to council on the advantages of constructing three high-rise office buildings — two on parcel 1 and one on parcel 2. "Building the offices would bring 10,000 workers into Greenbelt every day," he said,

SIDEWALK ISSUE RAGES ANEW

At a recent City Council public hearing, a group of Greenbelt citizens listened to the latest report of the Advisory Planning Board (APB) on sidewalks. The APB recommends that sidewalks be placed along both sides of streets throughout the city where none now exist, with priority given to Lakeside Drive and upper Ridge Road. Since these are areas where the citizens are known to be affluent, says APB, the cost of the sidewalks should be borne by the residents after which they would be dedicated to the city for city maintenance.

APB listed its primary reason for sidewalks as safety: 1) People should not have to walk in the street, and 2) children should not be denied the right to play on a sidewalk.

Members of the audience groaned and neighbors were seen glaring at each other depending on where they stood on the issue. One citizen, known to be violently opposed to sidewalks, vowed to carry on the fight to her dying day. Others echoed this sentiment. The mayor had to pound his gavel to quiet the crowd so that the APB chairman could continue.

Alternately, APB recommends narrowing the streets and installing a five-foot-wide sidewalk on one side only. This would necessitate changing Lakeside Dr and upper Ridge Road (from Research to Lastner Lane) to one-way streets, with direction of flow probably alternating for morning and evening rush hours. The chairman then unrolled a large blue and white map pointing out the location of the sidewalks and the flow of traffic.

One advantage of this plan, he said, is that there would be ample room for separate bikepaths and jogging paths between the streets and the sidewalks. He added that only narrow strips of private land would have to be taken over by the city.

At the ensuing hubbub, the mayor reminded the audience that the report was merely a recommendation. In the meantime, Lakeside and upper Ridge Road residents told the *News Review* they will organize into a new committee — Citizens Against Blatant Arrogant Sidewalk Harassment (CABASH).

"filling our restaurants and stores and providing tax revenue for the additional roads and police protection that would be needed."

The owners stated, and the *News Review* could find no public record to the contrary, that there is no opposition to construction of high-rise office buildings at that location. The opposition had always been to townhouses or garden apartments. Indeed, a telephone survey of a random sample of residents in the north end area found the majority to be strongly in favor of offices. Several commented on the unnatural quiet in the north end since the closing of the Research Road gate and North End school. "Offices would definitely bring the area back to life," one said.

New Voting Procedures To Be Adopted by GHI

At its regular meeting on Thursday, April 1, the GHI Board of Directors is expected to adopt new voting procedures for its General Membership meetings. The procedures recommended by the Nominations and Elections Committee are: All those who traditionally support the board's positions will sit on the right side of the room; all those who traditionally oppose the board's positions will sit on the left side of the room; new members and those who frequently switch positions will sit in the middle section.

When the chairman calls for a vote each side will hold up voting cards to be counted. New members will be issued roller skates to move easily right or left. "It is hoped that these procedures will eliminate all errors in counting cards and dispel the notion that voting machines are needed," stated the N & E Committee chairman.

SIDING HITS SNAGS

Residents on Laurel Hill Road and Plateau Place have petitioned Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to retain their 'zebra stripe' homes and prevent vinyl siding from being installed. Almost all — some 280 of the 300 members affected — have requested exemption from the vinyl siding portion of Phase I of the Rehabilitation Program. They charge that the vinyl siding lacks the textural variety of the tarpaper/siding mix — zebra stripes — their homes now show. The petition was presented at the GHI Board of Directors meeting on March 25 and there was some discussion. Board members feared that this change would jeopardize the siding contract and the rehabilitation project as a whole. Proponents of the "zebra stripes" cited the advantages of saving money, speeding up completion of the whole rehab program, and having more variety of appearance in the GHI homes. "At first I couldn't wait for siding," one member explained, "and now I hope they will never get to my house." Siding is part of Phase I of the rehabilitation program which was approved in a membership vote on March 19, 1981. The exemption request will be placed on the agenda for a later meeting.

Completion of the siding on GHI homes also faces another serious challenge as the National Historical Trust this week issued a ruling that the vinyl siding was not an acceptable covering to preserve the historical nature of the homes. A spokesperson for the Trust indicated that their earlier approval had been issued prior to installation, and that the Trust had reserved the right to view the siding and judge its acceptability after it had been applied. "It is important to see how the siding looks in relation to the total Greenbelt setting," the spokesperson continued. "I know it will be difficult to remove it now, but that will be the best decision in the long run for history."

GHI told the *News Review* that it will fight this turn of events. The board will meet with its attorney tonight.

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Juvenile Justice System Discussed At Citizens for Greenbelt Meeting

by Leta Mach

Fifty individuals attended the Citizens for Greenbelt annual meeting on March 22 in the Greenbelt Library. After a short business meeting, the group heard from two speakers on the juvenile justice system.

The main business of the evening was the election of officers. Dorothy Baluch was elected for a second term as president. Vice-president for the coming year is Ed James. Betty Deitch is the new secretary and Madeline Green is treasurer for 1982. All officers were elected by acclamation.

Baluch reminded the members that according to the bylaws, this will be her last term as president. She thanked all the 1981 officers and committee chairpeople. "We want to strengthen our committees," she explained, as she invited people to sign up for a committee. One such committee is

the Committee on Crime.

Other important business included a proposed change in the bylaws providing for a decrease in the number needed for a quorum. The change passed. Henceforth, 15% of the membership or 15 members, whichever is fewer, will constitute a quorum.

Eunice Coxon, who had been instrumental in obtaining them, introduced the speakers, Judge David Gray Ross and James S. Dedes. Dedes, as Regional Supervisor for the Juvenile Services Administration, and Ross, as a juvenile court judge, were highly qualified to talk on the subject of juvenile offenders.

Dedes' regional office is located on Cherrywood Lane in Greenbelt. He undertook to explain how the department worked and what happened to a child after getting involved with Juvenile Services. The department, he explained, is divided into several areas including intake, after care, community resources, and volunteers. A child

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., April 1, 8-11 p.m. GHI Board Open House for Members. "Questions & Answers on Rehab" Hamilton Pl.

Mon, April 5, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting. Municipal Building.

is referred to juvenile services because of committing a crime. A child can be referred by a police officer, a parent or any citizen. Audience member Thomas White pointed out that even other children could refer a child. Oftentimes, he felt, children feel Juvenile Services works against them. Actually it can work for them.

An intake officer handles the case after it is referred. The officer contacts the child, parents and complainee. Other agencies can be consulted—the school system or local youth services bureau such as Greenbelt CARES. It is to everyone's advantage to

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Acreage in Beltsville Farm Threatened By New Federal Proposal to Sell Land

by Elaine Skolnik

A resolution sponsored by Senator Charles H. Percy, dealing with "excess" Federal lands has Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) officials, and state and local officials who share BARC's views, experiencing a feeling of déjà vu and frustration. Almost three years ago a move by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to declare as surplus 3,390 acres of the then 8,220-acre research center was thwarted. In the end there was a compromise favorable to BARC - only 1,050 acres were turned over to Federal facilities adjoining BARC. That action was not expected to alter the basic undeveloped character of the land.

However, the storm clouds are gathering again with the introduction of the Percy resolution in October 1981. A major fear is that the 2,340 acres saved by BARC in 1979 will again be threatened.

Another disturbing factor cited is that the change the Percy resolution would make in disposing of property declared surplus would make it easier for private developers to acquire the land. Still another concern is the role of the resurrected Federal Property Review Board, first established in 1972.

The resolution, which now has 16 co-sponsors, was heard by the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee in mid-March. Al-

though not binding, it would call on the President to (1) inventory properties owned by the Federal government, (2) estimate their current market value and identify those properties which could be sold and (3) recommend actions to streamline procedures for selling them. In the near future Federal agencies will be ordered to inventory their unused land and to justify possession of lands that are not being utilized. In the meantime, GSA has placed a freeze on Federal land "give-aways."

Review Board

Meanwhile, an executive order signed by President Ronald Reagan on February 25, 1982, created the Federal Property Review Board to direct the liquidation of surplus Federal land. (The first such Board, established in 1972, was weakened following the Watergate events; then President Carter abolished it.) The new board is composed of top presidential advisors, among them Chief of Staff Edwin Meese, Office of Management and Budget Director David Stockman and Chairman of the Economic Council of Advisors Murray Weidenbaum.

Lands designated as surplus will be subject to hearings, environmental and flood studies and various clearances. These steps could take up to 2½ years.

In urging the sale of "unneeded Federal properties," with the proceeds going toward reducing the national debt, Percy explained, "Given the present state of the economy and the fact that our federal indebtedness is approaching the \$1 trillion mark, I don't

think we can ask the American taxpayers to accept this status quo any longer." He pointed out that "according to the Treasury Department, the value of the federal government's total assets is also \$1 trillion, with real property holdings being valued at \$130 billion. Because these figures reflect the prices originally paid for the federal properties... the true book value of these properties is likely to be much higher."

Under the original 1972 executive order dealing with "excess" Federal lands under President Richard Nixon's "Legacy of Parks" program, properties declared excess were typically kept in the hands of Federal agencies or given away to state or local governments or charities. (Greenbelt received 13.9 acres of land under this program in 1972, and another 1.9 acres in 1975.) In 1979 the transfer of BARC land to NASA and the Patuxent Wild Life Research Center was done under GSA's Federal Utilization program.

Percy said, "It is time to stop this practice; in times like these, when we are asking for sacrifices from so many, I think we owe it to the American taxpayers to sell such unused properties at their full market value."

His resolution would give the Property Review Board the authority to determine if the land has true market value and if payment should be required. Consequently the chance for individuals or developers (who are last in line to be offered the property) to get the land is a distinct possibility.

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Council Tidbits

by Bill Rowland

(Editor's Note: The following are brief highlights of a few of the more significant activities during the city council's regular meetings on March 1 and March 15. Articles covering both meetings were lost on their way to the printer on March 24.)

The council gave its final approval on March 15 to annexation of about 70 acres of land south and west of the Greenway Shopping Center. This includes the Maryland Trade Center Building. Development on the land is expected to include two more high-rise office buildings, a 200-room hotel and a banquet facility, as well as several smaller office buildings and some townhouses. This extension of the city's boundaries should become effective about the first of May.

The council has agreed to let Maryland State Police take law enforcement action within Greenbelt's city limits when they witness a crime or other emergency situation, provided they notify the city's police department. The state police are not allowed to make routine patrols within the city except to enforce motor vehicle laws. In the past, the state police have been restricted by state law to making "citizen arrests" if they saw crimes taking place within the city.

The council approved purchase of removable stainless steel stairs for the Municipal Swimming Pool, for the benefit of the elderly and the handicapped.

The city's contribution for its employees covered by the Maryland Retirement System will increase by \$50,000 to \$60,000 in the fiscal year starting in July. This will take the yield of from four to five cents on the city's property tax rate. The increase comes on the heels of last year's sudden large demand on the city to start helping to reduce the retirement system's unfunded liability. The city is continuing to protest the extreme secrecy of the Maryland Retirement System's bureaucracy as to how rates are set, but with no success to date.

County Gives Occupancy Approval for 53 Crescent

The owners of the Greenbelt Plaza Apartments have been told by the Property Standards Division of the Prince Georges County Department of Licenses and Permits, in a letter dated March 23, that vacant units in all parts of the building at 53 Crescent Road may now be occupied. The building had been the subject of violation notices issued by the county, first after an October 1981 fire in the 53 Crescent structure, and again after a fire in January 1982 in the complex's apartment building at 11 Parkway.

In clearing 53 Crescent for occupancy, the county's letter tells the owners that "an inspection (of 53 Crescent, sections A, B, and C) reveals that you have partially complied with the terms of the... Violation Notices." The letter continues, "It shall be understood that all other units which are vacant, or become vacant within the remainder of the project, shall remain vacant until an inspection is made and until written acceptance of the units as fit for human habitation is received from the Building Official."

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of City Council
Monday, April 5, 1982
8:00 P.M.

- I. ORGANIZATION
 1. Call to Order
 2. Roll Call
 3. Meditation
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
 4. Minutes of Council Meetings
 5. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager
- II. COMMUNICATIONS
 6. Petitions and Requests
 7. Administrative Reports
 8. Committee Reports
- III. OLD BUSINESS
 9. An Ordinance to Repeal Sec. 2-19.2 of Article III, Chapter 2, Title "Administration", of the Greenbelt City Code, and to Reenact a New Section 2-10.2 of Article III, Title "Advisory Planning Board" to bring this Section into Compliance with the Newly Enacted Financial Disclosure Requirements of Chapter 2, Article VI, Title "Ethics" of the City Code
- Second Reading
 10. An Ordinance to Amend Sec. 2-44(B) of Article VI, Title "Ethics", of Chapter 2 of the Greenbelt City Code to Provide for a Fine of Not More than \$500 Instead of \$1,000, or Imprisonment for not more than 90 Days Instead of One Year, and to Make the Penalty Provisions Applicable to the Entire Article Rather than Sec. 2-40 of the Article
- Second Reading
 11. Tennis Association Proposal for Conversion of One Tennis Court for Action Tennis (Park and Recreation Advisory Board Report 1-82)
 12. Improvements to Ridge Road from Southway to Eastway
 13. Request of State Highway Administration to Transfer Portions of Crescent and Ridge Roads from that Agency to the City of Greenbelt for Maintenance
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
 14. Budget for Fiscal Year 1982/83
 15. Bid Awards
- Fireworks 1982
- Truck Mountable Hooper Type Spreader
 16. Site Plans (Advisory Planning Board Reports)
- Maryland Trade Center - Comfort Inn
- Martin's Greenbelt
 17. Request for Public Dancing License—H. T. McDoogal's
 18. Consent to Electric Line Easements—Greenbriar Condominiums
 19. Swimming Pool Rates 1982
 20. Beltsville Agricultural Draft Air Quality Plan
 20. Beltsville Agricultural Research Center Property (Federal Property Review Board)
 22. Letter Concerning Acquisition of North End School Property
 23. Meetings
- V. MISCELLANEOUS
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APRIL FOOL

This week we are presenting the fifth April Fool issue in the history of the Greenbelt News Review. Actually, after last week's fiasco, this issue may seem anti-climactic. Readers who are just a mite tired of rezoning, public hearings, annexations, and petitions may welcome the chance to relax and chuckle over the lighter side of our burning issues.

Sandra Barnes edited this special edition. Staff writers Mavis Fletcher, Mike Jones, Mary Moien, Bill Rowland, and Sandra Surber Smith, as well as former staff member David Stern wrote articles for this issue, which was edited by staff members Judy Goldstein, Bill Rowland, Charles F. Schwan, Jr., Mary Lou Williamson, and Harry Zubkoff. The photo composite was artfully constructed by Bill Cornett.

We hope Greenbelters enjoy reading the April Fool issue as much as the staff enjoyed producing it.

Correction

In the panic generated by the loss of last week's copy, the captions of two pictures were unfortunately transposed. The two laid-back types with the microphone are in fact WLMD Dee-Jay Pat O'Leary and Bill Cornett. They are not to be confused with the distinguished trio consisting of Gov. and Mrs. Hughes and Myrtle Yost. Just making sure you were paying attention, folks.

Robert L. Runyan

Robert L. Runyan, 73, of Olivewood Ct., died March 23 in the Greenbelt nursing home after a heart attack.

Mr. Runyan was a teacher and administrator in the Prince Georges County school system for 28 years. When he retired in 1975 he had been principal of Oakland elementary school in Laurel for 9 years.

A graduate of The College of Wooster in Ohio, he came to this area while serving in the Marine Corps during World War II. He was a 33rd degree Mason.

Mr. Runyan is survived by his wife Helen of Olivewood Ct.; a daughter, Tonia R. Fike, Waldorf; a sister and 2 grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Friday, March 26 in Community Church.

MOWATT TO SHOW FILM

On Sunday, April 4, at 7 p.m. Mowatt Methodist Church will present the film "The Cross and the Switchblade," starring Pat Boone and Erik Estrada. The film chronicles the true story of a young man who works to bring meaning into the lives of youngsters in the inner city.

The event is open to the community. There is no admission charge.

Lecture on Heart At Library April 6

A lecture, "Be Kind to Your Heart" (how to reduce risk factors) will be presented at Greenbelt library Tuesday, April 6, 7-9 p.m. Judy Crews, R.N., M.S.N., Cardiovascular Nursing Specialist at Prince George's Hospital, will be the speaker. This is the first of a Prince George's Community College lecture series. The public is invited.

Bahá'í Faith

Greenbelt Community
 P.O. Box 245
 Greenbelt, Md. 20770
 474-4090/345-2918

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church
 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

9:30 a.m.: Passion Play
 Visitors Welcome
 Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
 Rev. Ira C. Keperling, Pastor
 474-1924

Paint Branch Unitarian Church

3215 Powder Mill Rd.
 (near Cherry Hill Road)
 Forum: 9:30 a.m. "Black Religion and the American Experience" by Rev. Yvonne Chappelle
 Service: 11 a.m. "Up from Magic and Violence" by Richard W. Kelley
 937-3666

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Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville
 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 First and third Sundays
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
 Second and fourth Sundays
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
 422-8057

EASTER



GREENBELT COMMUNITY CHURCH

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sunday, April 4: PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP, 11 A.M.
 Holy Communion and Special Choral Program

Thursday, April 8: MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE, 6:30 P.M.
 Pot Luck Supper and Communion Service

Saturday, April 10: EASTER EVE SERVICE, 9 P.M.
 Candlelight Communion Service
 (Begins in the darkness of the crucifixion and concludes in the dawn of the resurrection)

Sunday, April 11: EASTER WORSHIP, 11 A.M.
 Easter Celebration and Special Choral Program

WALLPAPER CLASS

People can learn the art of hanging vinyl wallpaper at Will's Home Decorating Center's upcoming clinic. The clinic will be held at the store at 10508 Baltimore Blvd., Beltsville, on Wednesday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. The Greenbelt public is invited. Call 937-3733 for reservations and further information.

MOTHERS UNITED

A meeting of Mothers United will be held on Wednesday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Hugh's rectory basement. There will be a film, "Development of Feelings in Children" followed by a discussion led by Mrs. Leigh Mahalati, child psychologist.

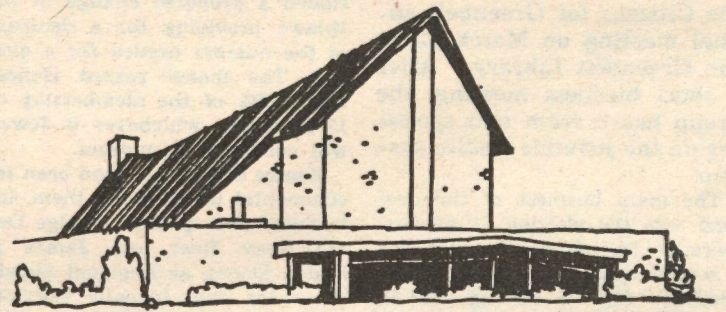
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Holy Cross Lutheran Church

6905 Greenbelt Road
 Worship Services: 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.
 Sunday School: 9:50 a.m.
 Sunday morning nursery at both services
 Edward H. Birner, Pastor Phone 345-5111

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

135 Crescent Road

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY, April 4

MASSSES (with blessing of palms) 6 P.M. Saturday
 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. and 12:30 P.M.

MONDAY, April 5

MASSSES 7:30 and 9:00 A.M., 7:30 P.M.
 STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7:10 P.M.

TUESDAY, April 6

MASSSES 7:30 and 9:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 7

MASSSES 7:30 and 9:00 A.M.
 TENEBRAE SERVICE 7:30 P.M.
 CONFESSIONS 11:00 to 12 Noon, after 7:30 P.M. Service

HOLY THURSDAY, April 8

LOW MASS 7:30 A.M.
 SEDER MEAL 5:30 P.M.
 CONCELEBRATED MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER 7:30 P.M.
 CONFESSIONS After the 7:30 P.M. Mass

GOOD FRIDAY, April 9 (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 12:10 P.M.
 LITURGICAL SERVICE AND COMMUNION 7:30 P.M.
 CONFESSIONS 11:00 to 12 Noon, after 7:30 P.M. Service

HOLY SATURDAY, April 10

NO MORNING SERVICES OR 6:00 P.M. MASS
 CONFESSIONS 11:00 to 12 Noon, 4:00 to 5:00 P.M.
 EASTER VIGIL SERVICE AND MASS 7:30 P.M.
 (Fulfills Sunday obligation)

EASTER SUNDAY, April 11

MASSSES 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. and 12:30 P.M.

Special Services Slated By Holy Cross Church

Special services will be conducted at Holy Cross Lutheran Church beginning this Sunday (Palm Sunday) and culminating on Easter Sunday with festival services at 8:30 and 11:15 a.m. Special music will be provided at all services by the choirs of the church.

This Sunday the youth of the church will be at the entrances of the church with palm branches to greet all worshippers. Palm fronds will be distributed during the services. New members will be welcomed at the 11:15 a.m. service.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at a special service on Thursday of Holy Week at 7:30 p.m. Paul Birner, a graduate of Parkdale High School and a student at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, will preach. This will be Paul's first sermon in his home congregation.

Good Friday services will begin at 7:30 p.m. The celebration of Easter will begin with a sunrise service at 6 a.m. The youth of the church will sing at this service and serve a continental breakfast immediately following the service.

Roosevelt Park

To the Editor:

Al Herling is absolutely right when he says that something in Greenbelt ought to be named for Franklin D. Roosevelt, but it ought to be what is now called Greenbelt Lake Park, not Centerway.

Centerway simply isn't enough to name after Roosevelt. Roosevelt was too important. I remember what he meant to people during the Depression: he stood for hope, and for somehow seeing to it that the United States would remain what we wanted it to be, and had known it to be, without taking the shortcuts to the Promised Land offered by the dictators of the day. Hitler and Mussolini and Stalin. When Roosevelt made his Fireside Chats, the streets were really deserted. The street where I lived, so far as I know, didn't have anybody living on it who hadn't been hurt by the Depression, and we kids all had to go inside to listen to the radio. Our parents saw to that. We just weren't allowed to keep on playing outside.

Anything in Greenbelt named for Roosevelt ought to be substantial. This planned community was intended to be a model of a community for ordinary people, not for wealthy ones. They have no problem living in attractive surroundings. Certainly anybody who sees the original Greenbelt—the simple houses in their park-like setting—can see what Roosevelt's ideas about government for all the people, not only the privileged, meant. He didn't believe in any trickle-down, have the crumbs — from-the-table-of-the-wealthy theory. Let's name something for him that's worth naming! He did go fishing in Greenbelt Lake. It ought to be Roosevelt Park.

Katherine Keene

At Greenbelt Library

Monday, April 5:

10:30 a.m.—Cartoons, ages 5-12.
2 p.m.—School Holiday Films—Star Trek Films: City on the Edge of Forever; Dagger of the Mind.

7-9 p.m.—Turning Your Hobby into a Business — cosponsored by the Prince Georges County Cooperative Extension Service.

Wednesday, April 7:

10:30 a.m.—Drop-in storytime, ages 3-5.

Rescue at McDoogal's

To the Editor:

After work last Wednesday (March 24) my co-workers and I decided to go out for food and conversation. This night we went to H. T. McDoogal's. A 65-year old man is glad we did, or he would have choked to death. You see, in our group was Betty Sonneveldt, who knows what to do in any emergency and is trained in CPR as well.

After the food was dislodged from his windpipe, the man began to have chest pain. Betty knew what to do until the Greenbelt Rescue Squad arrived. The man had had two previous heart attacks and two strokes.

This incident, upon reflection, made me wonder about something. It seemed that none of the employees of the restaurant knew what to do for the man. (He had been choking 30 seconds or more before Betty came to his aid.) I know that only a few minutes elapsed during the entire incident, but it would seem to me that restaurant employees in particular should be trained to act quickly in such an emergency. Anyone can choke on food and more and more people are living longer in spite of their own severe medical problems.

I urge people to learn the Heimlich maneuver and also CPR. I myself have not done the latter, but I will now. It's also scary to stand by helpless; what if it were a loved one instead of a stranger?

Lynn Lubey

Epidemic

To the Editor:

Early last year my neighbor was forced to remove three lovely bushes from her yard because of an infestation of Euonymus scale. Later the same year another neighbor was forced to remove a large Euonymus bush because it had been severely infected and literally killed by the scale. During our walks around Greenbelt my husband and I noticed many other yards where the Euonymus hedges have been infested.

When I saw the first signs on my own hedges I took a sample to the Plant Clinic run by the Department of Entomology at the University of Maryland, College Park Campus. There it was diagnosed as Euonymus scale and I was given two information handouts on controlling the scale.

The Euonymus is a popular evergreen hedge in Greenbelt and the scale could kill off most of them this year. Those it doesn't hit this year are lucky—last summer it hit every Euonymus bush in my court.

One other note: on older plants the scale isn't detected until it's almost too late because it starts on the inside branches and has a good headstart before it becomes noticeable on the outside leaves.

It would break my heart to see so many of Greenbelt's plants destroyed — the time is now or never for many of them.

Melody C. Warner

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Perez Joins Staff Of Credit Union

Eduardo B. Perez, formerly Accounting Manager of the SEBCO Federal Credit Union, has joined the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union as Assistant Manager.

The SEBCO credit union serves the school employees of Baltimore County. Among his duties there, Perez was responsible for the computerized operations of the credit union, administration of the entire accounting function, and for reorganizing the departments records and procedures. In addition to six years of experience with SEBCO, Perez has prior banking experience in the Philippines. His academic achievements include CPA Philippines and CPA Maryland.

"He brings a wealth of financial experience to our credit union" commented Joseph D. Comproni, who has managed the Greenbelt credit union for the past 28 years. Comproni plans to retire within the year.



Joe Comproni, long-time manager of the credit union welcomes his new assistant manager, Eduardo B. Perez at the March 20 open house. The credit union, in its new location — part of the old post office — sports a new sign.

— photo by J. Henson

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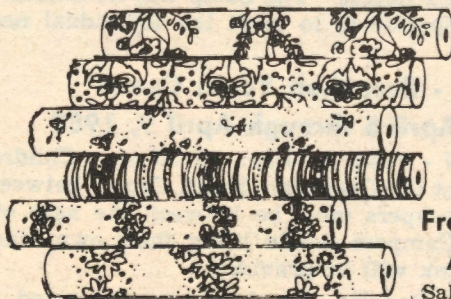


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HOICE



Problems Raised by Individual Members Occupies GHI Board

by Sid Kastner

At the regular GHI board meeting of March 25, many member comments were heard by the board relating to items of the rehabilitation program, during the first part of the meeting, and not until late in the evening was the formal agenda gotten to. The matter of safety of the new baseboard electrical heaters was one of the main topics of discussion with a wide range of opinions being expressed; but several other issues were brought up also.

The meeting opened with requests by visitors. Mary Brasfield pointed out that larger baseboard heaters were to be put into one of her bedrooms than in the living-room, despite less need for heat in that room and the fact that heat would rise from the first floor to the second, which should mean that smaller heaters would be needed. The board referred the matter to the staff architect.

A visitor said that he had not gotten a decision from GHI staff with respect to the responsibility of members for "patching up" the space on the exterior of the building left by removal of old electrical meters, if they wanted to incorporate such former outer closet space into the interior of the home. He suggested that if this were done by the corporation a more uniform result would be accomplished. The validity of this comment was acknowledged by the board with director Steve Curtis voicing his feeling that the corporation could put necessary siding on the forty homes involved without excessive cost. At the same time, director Margaret Hogensen noted in defense of the board and staff that a definite decision was originally made to proceed with siding before all electrical details were worked out, to speed the project up. Chairman Jim Smith asked General Manager Tim Mitter to survey the members affected.

The next visitor had a specific complaint that one of her neighbors, in order to gain permission from GHI to install a gabled roof on his addition, had circulated an unauthorized petition which she had been misled into signing; she then found out that she had thereby been blocked from having a different type of (shed) roof on her own addition. The board expressed sympathy with her position, directors Della Donaldson and Curtis being in favor of allowing a special exception in this case "to remedy . . . in justice". Director Wayne Williams suggested that the member just submit a request for such exception through usual channels. With respect to the possibly "doctored" petition, directors Don Volk and Smith asked management to check with the other members in this particular row.

Michael Proise of the Aesthetics and Environment Committee brought to the board the committee's concern about safety in electric heat. He stated that a current report of the Consumer Product Safety Commission "did impress me" and asked the board to furnish a written report on what safety procedures it planned to provide for members. Member Ben Abramowitz displayed several copies of reports which he said should be disseminated more widely, and charged that the GHI-chosen electric baseboard heaters would be "dangerous" in the corporation's 1600 homes.

Director Curtis defended the heaters as being safe on the basis of discussions with insurance underwriters who say that most fires are due to other causes. His statement that safety regulations refer mainly to higher-temperature portable heaters—rather than fixed lower-temperature heaters—was challenged by Proise from his own experience as a journeyman electrician and this led to a brief technical debate on the actual temperatures of the various types of heaters.

Director Frank Gervasi suggested that member Abramowitz "has done us a service by drawing our attention to the safety question" and felt that an extra precaution could be provided by proper installation of smoke detectors on both levels of a home. Smith noted that the original TAA engineering report had recommended electrical heating and said that such heating was being installed in new homes all over the country. He argued that these new appliances were "no more of a hazard than presently existing 'jury-rigged' electrical circuits in members' homes." This contention was supported by Assistant Manager Shekar Narasinhham who described the improvement in general wiring that will be achieved through rehabilitation corrections, assured his listeners that the staff had checked the safety record of the heaters being discussed, and listed information that the staff will be providing including safety manuals.

Other rehabilitation items discussed were placement of the new hot water heaters in members' homes, and the new windows to be installed in next Phase II of the project. In the former case director Williams voiced some concern that members might not be sufficiently apprised in advance of the planned location for these sizable heaters; the Assistant Manager explained the notification process carried out beforehand. With respect to the Phase II windows to be installed in

brick, block, frame homes with slate roofs and in the five free-standing homes, action was taken to authorize bronze-colored window unless an alternate choice of white is specified in a survey to be carried out first.

Ridge Road Improvement

This last piece of business was actually the first matter to be taken up that was on the original agenda for the evening. Other regular agenda items included a briefing by City Manager James Giese who described proposed road improvements to Ridge Road between Southway and Gardenway. These would bring this section of the road into conformity with the recently reconstructed part of Ridge between Eastway and Northway, and will require that some easements be granted by GHI to the city. He reassured those listening that the city would try to reduce the impact of GHI property to a minimum, transplanting hedges where necessary and leaving intact a row of very large, old trees north of Hamilton Place - for which director Volk and others expressed appreciation. Giese finished by noting "We're seeking any comments GHI may have on this before the final plan."

GHI Handbook

The manager's staff has also completed a full draft of the new "consolidated" GHI Handbook containing not only regular member information but also a set of revised rules and regulations. Directors Hogensen and Volk suggested that the board needed to take some time to read it carefully especially if any new material was incorporated in it, so a subcommittee was set up for the purpose on a motion by director Gervasi.

Last but not least, a cash donation to the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center was authorized to support that local organization's sponsorship of a forthcoming concert by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Photography Workshop

This month, the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center is again sponsoring a photographic workshop on Wednesdays through April. The course is geared toward beginners with little or no knowledge of the photographic process. Students will learn how to use black-and-white and color films, equivalent exposures, and composition, and how to utilize these tools to achieve creative effects. "Hands-on" experience is stressed, and there will be a weekly critique of all students' work. A 35mm camera is required for the course. There is a fee.

Pirates at the National

James Belushi and Peter Noone star as the pirate king and Frederick in the rollicking "Pirates of Penzance," playing at the National Theater now through April 30. Also starring are Marsha Bagwell as Frederick's nanny and Leo Leydon as the modern major general. Caroline Peyton plays the major's daughter Mabel, who falls in love with the pirate Frederick.

Joseph Papp's production, an exhilarating musical farce, is an Americanization of the original Gilbert & Sullivan operetta. Wilford Leach directs. To reserve tickets, call 638-2688. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m.

BLOODMOBILE AT LEGION

The Ladies Auxiliary Unit #136 is sponsoring a Red Cross Bloodmobile Monday, April 5, from 1-7 p.m. at the Greenbelt American Legion Post #136.

Blood is needed to insure an adequate supply for emergencies, surgery and chemo-therapy.

Call 559-8500 for an appointment to donate.



GHI BOARD MEETING

Preliminary Agenda

Thursday
April 8, 1982
8:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Membership Applications
3. Visitors & Members
4. Manager
 1. Draft GHI Handbook
 2. Three Special Requests from Members
 3. Contract for Phase II Windows
5. Committees
6. President
7. Board Members



Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Inc.

Financial Report December 31, 1981

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 1981 \$ 4,511.66

INCOME:

Carnival	\$ 9,470.13
Booth Deposits	488.00
Miss Greenbelt Pageant	900.00
Donations	1,275.00
Commissions	3,721.68
Interest on Savings	244.27
Dial-A-Ride	81.50

Total Income in 1981 16,180.58

\$ 20,692.24

EXPENSES:

Advertising	\$ 504.91
Postage & Stationary	235.68
Telephone	80.64
Police Service	240.00
Pictures	150.00
Entertainers	740.00
Permits	215.00
Ticket Sellers	524.87
Equipment Rental	1,025.00
Miss Greenbelt Pageant	969.71
Art Show	102.12
Appreciation Party	—0—
Pet Show	—0—
Opening Ceremonies	39.00
Special Contests	31.92
Talent Contest	50.00
Foot Races	50.00
Special Events	450.00
Outstanding Citizen	83.98
Parade	1,037.81
Carnival	7,790.19
Insurance	50.00
Dial-A-Ride	81.50

Total Expenses in 1981 14,452.33

Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1981 \$ 6,239.91

Income Exceeded Expenses \$ 1,728.25

Approved by Audit Committee March 1, 1982

Ethelyn Bishop, Treasurer



Department of Recreation City of Greenbelt, Maryland

1982 Spring Day Camp

474-6878

For the fourth year, the City of Greenbelt, Department of Recreation will operate a day camp during the County Schools Spring Recess. The Camp will be staffed with counselors and specialists to meet the individual need of each camper.

LOCATION - Greenbelt Youth Center

SEASON - April 5 through April 9, 1982

OPERATION - From 8:30 am - 3:30 pm. Children must be dropped off at the Greenbelt Youth Center between 8:30 and 9 a.m. All campers must be between the ages of 6 and 12 years old. Campers should bring their own lunch (bag or box). A drink will be provided.

CLOTHING - Regular play clothes are suggested. All children should either wear or bring a pair of tennis shoes with them to camp.

PROGRAM - Emphasis will be on physical activities along with movies, table games, arts and crafts and outdoor activities when weather permits. Balance beam, trampoline, soccer and special events are scheduled.

COST - Resident Child - \$35.00
Non-Resident Child - \$45.00

REGISTRATION CLOSING FRIDAY, APRIL 2

PARKWAY FIRE

A fire in a basement storage room at 18 Parkway occurred on Sunday morning, March 21. According to assistant fire chief William Dunn, the fire was confined to the storage room. The fire was reported at 1:21 a.m., fire companies responded at 1:23, and the fire "was knocked down" by 1:28, said Capt. Mundy, spokesman for the county fire department. Property damage to the building was estimated at \$1,000 and to the contents, \$100. The fire, Mundy told the News Review, "was a set fire" and is under investigation. Anyone who can offer any information is asked to call 699.2980.

Greenbelt Fire Chief Mike Dutton directed operations on the scene. In addition to the Greenbelt department, Berwyn's Truck No. 14 responded. Firemen remained on the site for an hour.

GHI NOTES

Members of the GHI Board of Directors will sponsor an Open House on April 1 from 8-11 p.m. in the GHI Board Room to answer rehab questions. Rehab equipment — heating units and a hot water tank — is on display. Also, a regular pre-conversion meeting will be held on April 5 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room.

Another upcoming meeting is the regular Board of Directors meeting on April 8 at 8 p.m. in the GHI Board Room. Free blood pressure testing will be conducted on Wednesday, April 7 from 2-4 p.m.

Members are reminded that the membership referendum on the larger homes equity issue must be returned by April 2 in the special envelope provided. The Nominations and Elections Committee will open and count the ballots at 7 p.m. on April 6.

Photographers can begin taking photos for the "Life in Greenbelt" contest sponsored by the Member and Community Relations Committee. All Greenbelt residents are eligible to participate in the contest, which begins April 1 and ends April 30.

A window contract for brick, block, frame with slate roof and the five freestanding homes is in the final stages of negotiation. Members in these homes have received a window color survey form which must be returned by April 16.

Weather permitting, siding work will begin at 1, 2, 3 and 4 courts Plateau next week. For the up-to-date heat and hot water conversion schedule, call the rehab hotline (474-644) during non-business hours, when a recorded message is on the line.

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Recreation Review

LATE CLASS REGISTRATION

There are still openings in many Spring Leisure Time Activities Classes and people may sign up by coming in person to the Recreation Department Business Office.

KITE FLYING CONTEST WINNERS

As the March winds blew on Braden Field it was quite evident that the winds and cold weather were ready to compete with the kites and their flyers. The winners were as follows: Most Unusual Kite — Jennifer Burgess and Jonathan Williams; Highest Flying — Charlie Vagnier; Prettiest Kite — Kelly Dwyer and Jason Cohen; Ugliest Kite — Bart Byers; Youngest Flyer — Andrew Farris; Smallest Kite — Douglas Wilson; Largest Kite — Persa Batra.

CPR CLASSES

The Spring Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Class Schedule is noted below. To pre-register, call the Recreation Department Business Office weekdays. Choose the most convenient location. Hours are 7 p.m. — 10:30 p.m. at the following locations: Youth Center, April 13 and 14; Springhill Lake Recreation Center April 21 and 22.

Golden Age Club

by Gertrude Law

The Golden Age Club will visit Baltimore's Inner Harbor on Wednesday, April 14. The trip will include the bus ride to Baltimore and a tour through the Aquarium. Call Zelpha Parsons, 345-3904 for the details.

Plans are under way for the club's anniversary party on April 28. Call Agnes Noack, 723-5194 to sign up to attend the luncheon. The meal will be catered by Little Jim's Caterers.

Spring Soccer

by Sue Cornelius

Greenbelt soccer made its official debut on Saturday, March 27, hosting five home games and playing three away games. Greenbelt 1 (6-and-under) had a close game with Greenbelt 2 with a 1-0 victory. The 8-and-under teams were both successful, with Greenbelt 1 beating Lanham 7-0. Two goals were scored by Chris Davis, one by Kerry Sweeney, and four by Andy James. Greenbelt 2 beat New Carrollton 2 by 3-0.

The two 10-year-and-under teams lost to strong New Carrollton teams, Greenbelt 1 losing 3-0 and Greenbelt 2 by 3-2. However, the 13-and-under squads were both big winners, Greenbelt 1 over Lanham by 5-1 and Greenbelt 2 over Kettering by 4-0. Goals were scored by Tony Ross, Stephen Ready, Steffan Sonneveldt, and Shawn Luddy.

The next games will be played on Saturday, April 3.

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Elimination of Double Tax

Senate Bill 378, setting up the machinery to eliminate double taxation of city and town residents, passed the Senate Third Reader. State Senator Edward T. Conroy, (Dem.-24th Dist.), in announcing Senate support of the issue, called elimination of double taxation one of the most important pieces of municipal legislation to be debated by the General Assembly this year.

The bill, sponsored by Senators O'Reilly and Conroy, addressed the double taxation of municipal residents who are taxed by their counties for services which they don't receive or receive at reduced levels. Double taxation commonly occurs for animal control, bulky trash pick-up, leaf collection, snow removal, recreation and street lighting.

"In view of the fact that services provided by municipalities often relieve county governments

Bake Sale, Car Wash

The Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center is holding its fourth monthly fundraising bake sale of 1982 on Saturday, April 3, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The sale will be held outside on the mall in front of the Utopia Theater. Earlier bake sales have helped to raise money to meet some of many expenses of the organization: publicity, programming, rent and utilities.

The group continues to need the strong support of the Greenbelt community. All donors of baked goods, cookies, cakes, pies, brownies, muffins, breads, etc., will receive a complimentary ticket for any event at the Utopia.

Saturday, April 10, there will be a car wash behind St. Hugh's Church to benefit the Cultural Arts Center, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

of those burdens," said Conroy, "it is unfair for taxpayers to pay up twice."



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NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT

At its regular meeting, held on March 15, 1982, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted Charter Amendment Resolution No. 1982-1 (Resolution No. 507), and the following title of the Resolution is a fair summary of the amendment:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT BY ANNEXING CERTAIN LAND CONTIGUOUS AND ADJOINING THE EXISTING CORPORATE AREA, SUCH LANDS COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE MARYLAND TRADE CENTER PROPERTY (PARCEL B, GREENBELT EAST SUBDIVISION, 7.5000 ACRES), CAMERON BROWN INVESTMENT GROUP PROPERTY (33.7521 ACRES), CHARLES M. BAKER ET UX PROPERTY (0.8885 ACRES), AND HENRY M. WITT PROPERTY (11.1574 ACRES), ALL LOCATED TO THE SOUTH OF THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT IN THE VICINITY OF THE GREENWAY SHOPPING CENTER AND HANOVER PARKWAY, TOGETHER WITH ADJACENT PUBLIC ROADWAYS, AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL TREATMENT OF THE UNDEVELOPED TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY IN THE AREA ANNEXED FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ANNEXATION FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS OR, IF SOONER, UNTIL THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS

On March 15, 1982 a public hearing was held by the City Council of Greenbelt on the above resolution, and the hearing was advertised and held in due form according to the laws of the State of Maryland. The amendment shall become and be considered a part of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, according to the terms of the amendment in all respects to be effective and observed as such, upon the 29th day of April, 1982, unless within forty-five (45) days of its passage the City Council of Greenbelt receives a petition for referendum in accordance with the provisions of Section 19 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition as amended).

A copy of the above Charter Amendment Resolution 1982-1 is posted in the Greenbelt Municipal Building—Edgar L. Smith Wing, in accordance with the requirements of Section 13(d) of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and copies may also be obtained from the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland. Telephone: 474-3870 or 474-8000.

Gudrun H. Mills, CMC
City Clerk

BELTSVILLE cont. fr. pg. 1**National Treasure**

Percy noted that his resolution specifically excludes from review national parks, wilderness areas and other national treasures. BARC is considered by those who oppose reducing its acreage to be in the latter category. Former Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland described the center as a "National Showcase of Agriculture Research," and "the leading most diversified agricultural research complex in the world." Former Congresswoman Gladys Spellman, Senator Paul Sarbanes, BARC officials, and the Greenbelt city council contended in 1979 that reducing the center's acreage would threaten BARC's effectiveness by causing a cut-back on research projects. About 2,000 of the 7,200 acres in the center are in wetlands or drainage areas needed to support the acreage used for orchards, crop, pasture, sludge, forage, insect and other research programs.

"These areas are needed agronomically and serve a vital function," said Dr. Paul Putnam, BARC director, adding that the objections to declaring the land excess are the same today as in 1979 — To do so would threaten (1) prime programs causing possible reduction in jobs, (2) joint programs in research with University of Maryland and Maryland Environmental Service, and (3) the last open wedges of green space along the Baltimore-Washington corridor, (4) the buffer between BARC, NASA and Patuxent Wildlife Center, (5) the BARC Master Plan dealing with land concepts endorsed by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission in September 1979, and (6) public use of land for bicycling and jogging.

According to Federal Drug Administration officials, that agency's land in Beltsville will also be scrutinized. FDA owns 240 acres and has used about 12 acres. On the drawing boards are plans to construct five more buildings to house laboratory animals and research personnel.

The Greenbelt City Council on Monday, April 5, will discuss the move to "excess" BARC land. The council has consistently fought any cut-back of the center's acreage. The Prince Georges County Council and Congressman Steny Hoyer are also calling for the preservation of BARC.

In a letter to President Reagan, the County Council protested the idea that the property, or portions of it, might be sold. Commenting on the possibility of asking fair market values for surplus lands, the County Council wrote: "Although we understand and appreciate your efforts to reduce the growig federal deficit, we would urge you not

FIRE DEPT. FUND DRIVE CONTINUES THRU APRIL

The annual General Fund Drive for the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., is underway and will continue throughout the month of April. Donations are tax deductible.

For more information concerning the drive or the department, please call 345-7000.

CITY NOTES

The general crew removed the electrical equipment from the old electrical/storage shed on Braden Field prior to tearing down the shed. The foundation was poured for the new electrical/storage shed. Brick and other building materials for both the new announcer's booth and the electrical/storage shed were ordered and delivered. Members of the crew also worked on the installation of two valves in the filter room of the Municipal Pool.

The parks crew performed routine maintenance on ballfields on Braden Field, McDonald Field, and in Windsor Green. Trees were planted on city property in Windsor Green.

Special trash requests are running very heavy and a 2 to 3 day backup has developed. The crew has been working six days a week trying to catch up.

to abandon the policy of discount conveyances of property to state, local and non-profit entities for public benefit."

Our Neighbors

Sincere sympathy to Helen Runyan, Olivewood Ct. on the recent death of her husband, Robert.

Marine Pvt Mark T. Blue, son of John A. and Olive F. Blue of Laurel Hill, has completed the Basic Assault Amphibian Crewman's Course. He is currently serving with the 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion at Camp Pendleton, CA. A 1981 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. He joined the Marine Corps in August, 1981.

Joel Cahalan, a fifth grader at Greenbelt Center Elementary School, earned the highest rating of "I" for his performance on the flute in the Largo Music Festival. His performance of the same work, Telemann's Suite in A Minor, in an audition at the University of Maryland, earned him the chance in the annual Honor's Recital of the Washington Flute Society.

The country western band "Carolina" will be performing on April 1, 2 and 3 at the Big Dipper on Route 1 in Beltsville. Greenbelter George Beauchamp is the group's keyboard player.

Coralie Richards of Maplewood Court was recently elected interim president of the Mid-Atlantic chapter of the National Decorating Products Association. This association consists of retail wallpaper, paint and window treatments dealers in the Metro Washington and Baltimore areas. Richards represents Will's Home Decorating Center of Beltsville.

Gene Wason, former resident of

Boxwood Village now serving with the U.S. Navy, has been stationed at Bethesda Naval Hospital and will be attending "OR" school there for six months.

Alexander and David Barnes,

sons of Sandra and Alex Barnes, Maplewood Ct, have been selected to enter the Roosevelt Tech Center in the fall. They are presently in the 8th grade at Bethune Jr. High School.

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Kudos for High School Musical

by Rema Boscov

The last curtain call for "Wonderful Town" has resounded and died away at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The last of the stunning backdrops has dropped. Who knows how many people are replaying Leonard Bernstein's marvelous music in their heads, but the orchestra is dispersed and the melodies are memories.

If you went to last weekend's production by the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Music Theatre Guild, perhaps you are revisualizing a scene of Brazilian sailors doing the Conga, while Ruth McKenney, frustrated reporter (Beth Tavanello), attempts to interview them. Or are you recalling with a smile the nonplussed innocence of her sister Eileen (Mary Moser), as she sweetly commands servile but happy policemen to do her bidding in the jail, which has become her castle. Perhaps you remember the "Wrong Note Rag," that marvelous catchy tune in the nightclub, the Village Vortex, with its rousing dance number superbly choreographed by Renee Bryan. Can you see "the Wreck" (Michael Goff) ironing or Robert Baker (Darren Gibbs) awakening to the realization of his love for Ruth with the lingering melody, "It's Love"? Do you recall Chick Clark (Bryan Conley) and the hands that can't stop grabbing at the flustered and furious Eileen? And what about those crazy "specials" brought by Eileen's wooer, Frank Lippencott (Alan Turnbull), who

works at Walgreen's. Fun, wasn't it?

This was a fine production. The lighting was well planned and coordinated, sets were superb, roles well cast. The female leads in particular seemed to be naturals for their parts and seemed so amazingly comfortable on the stage, lacking neither in savoir faire nor in genuine singing and acting ability. The music was delightfully presented by a select orchestra under the direction of Dorothy Pickard. How unfortunate, though, that there is no orchestra pit and that the floor below acts as a soundboard — so many of the singers simply couldn't be heard!

"Wonderful Town" is a potpourri of scenes, not necessarily connected. The plot is bare minimum, offering no intellectually provoking thoughts. It exists, like much of the "entertainment" of the '50's as just that, replete with nightclub scene and the glitter and glamor which was part of the musicals from that time, John Mancuso, director, musical director and director of sets and lighting, has done a top-notch job coordinating this mammoth undertaking.

It's the behind-the-scenes scene, however, that bears the inspirational message. Banding together for a brief period was a 100 member cast and crew—a fraternity of co-workers, a small caring cooperative network which existed purely for the creation of an art

form. You who make up the audience are not merely passive receptors, for you who provide the initial impetus for these young people aspiring to reach for those moments which lift us above the level of our daily cares. I suspect that those who have put in hours and hours and hours of work already know that the effort is its own reward. I, for one, am glad they did it.

FREE BOAT EXAM

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will give a courtesy marine examination (CME) to trailerable boats on April 17, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at 5640 Sunnyside Ave., Beltsville. The exam is free of charge and results are confidential.

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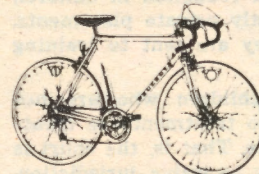
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resolve the case at the lowest level. In fact, 60% of all cases never go to court, explained Dedes.

After-care work can be viewed as similar to parole. From the moment a child is committed to an institution, the case officer looks for a place for the child upon release. "The mission is to get kids back into the community and get them reoriented," summed Dedes. Community resources—foster and group homes — and volunteers are crucial for achieving this mission. Prince Georges Juvenile Services is "now really able to provide services to kids," says Dedes, especially since the case load has dropped from about 70 to 18 per worker.

Prince Georges juvenile crime, says Dedes, has dropped this year. A little less than 1% of all children will eventually be incarcerated and of those on probation about 12% will eventually be incarcerated. But, explained Dedes, "Prince Georges is not a crime-ridden county, not any more than other area counties."

Judge's Comments

Judge Ross next explained the juvenile justice system from the viewpoint of a judge. When he was appointed to the Juvenile Court, his first job was to convince people of the worth of the juvenile court concept. One big problem in selling the system, he explained, is that "We can't tell you of the successes, only the failures." Many children go through the system and become good citizens. "It's my firm view the juvenile court system is a success," he added.

When he joined the juvenile court system, Ross first looked carefully at the actions, productivity, costs and staff, etc. of the system. Next he reviewed the children in the system. Many were terminated, resulting in a reduced workload and more help for those who need it. In turn, there has been less recidivism. Another reform was to reduce the time children were held before disposition of the case from about 60 to no more than 30 days. Now children are dealt with swiftly—a more valid object lesson. This Ross calls, "The key to the juvenile justice system."

Another change was to require that everyone pay for court costs—no more waivers. Payment is a "good way to get family involvement," explained Ross. There has also been a reduction in children sent to costly private placements. Instead they are sent to training school.

Finally, children who are not amenable to treatment are treated as adults. That is, the court is more likely to waive jurisdiction.

The duo asked for help—volunteers who could work with probation officers, perhaps as tutors. They invited citizens to visit institutions such as Boys' Village. "These are wholesome places," Ross said; "kids are often treated here better than in their home."

Boys Club Basketball The End of the Season

by Bob Luddy

The Greenbelt boys 10-year-old county basketball team concluded its season March 24 by losing a hard fought 16-12 game to District Heights. The win gave District Heights a 2-0 sweep over Greenbelt in the AA 10-year-old county championship series. Earlier that same week Greenbelt also dropped a 40-17 game to District Heights.

On March 21, the Greenbelt team participated in the semi-final round of the Berwyn Heights Invitational Tournament but lost to South Bowie 22-16.

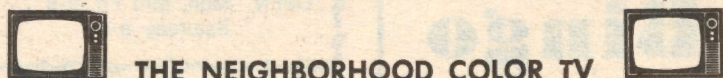
Despite these late season losses the Greenbelt team enjoyed an outstanding season, finishing with a record of 16-4 and winning the AA National League county championship. Team members included Bob Asmussen, Jim Bar-

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ron, Joel Cahalan, Frank Campbell, Jesse Cho, George Clinedinst, Pat Conrad, Shawn Luddy, Jeff Powers, and Scott Smith. The team was coached by Bob Luddy and Steve Campbell.

The team would like to thank the families, friends, and other interested Greenbelters who not only supported it during the regular season but also really made their presence felt at the post season games. Gretchen Sacra and the Greenbelt cheerleaders gave fine support at the post-season games.



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